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SUBJ: MEDACTION REPORT

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1. MOST PRESS CONTINUES CARRYING SHORT COMMERCIAL WIRE STORIES, PIX ON INDO-CHINA SITUATION. COMMENTARIES GENERALLY CITED WEAKNESSES OF SVN, CAMBODIAN GOVERNMENTS, LESSON TO AMERICA THAT "PEOPLE SHOULD BE LEFT ALONE TO CHOOSE THEIR OWN SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT." (REF: NEW NIGERIAN ABOVE). INGEST EDITORIAL CAME IN INDEPENDENT DAILY TIMES (APR.16) "LESSON FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES," WHICH SAID: "THE RECENT REAFFIRMATION BY US PRESIDENT FORD OF HIS BELIEF IN THE KOMINO THEORY OF NATIONS FALLING INTO COMMUNIST HANDS, UNDERSCORES A CLEAR MESSAGE; THAT EVEN THOUGH THE ATTEMPT TO KEEP SOUTH VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA OUT OF COMMUNIST CONTROL HAS FAILED, THE US GOVERNMENT WILL NOT HESITATE TO LEAD ANOTHER NATION INTO A SIMILAR WASTECAR." ...

"UNFORTUNATELY, THE THIRD WORLD NATIONS ARE THE ONES NOW VULNERABLE TO AMERICAN INTERVENTION -- ESPECIALLY AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA. ....

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AFRICAN NATIONS SHOULD SEE IN SOUTH VIETNAM THE CONSEQUENCES  
OF AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT ..... IF ONE THING IS TRUE, IT IS  
THAT AMERICA WOULD NOT DELIBERATELY GO INTO A VENTURE WITHOUT  
VESTED INTEREST IN THE SAME WAY THAT SHE WILL NOT BACK A LOSER ...  
IF THE SIDE IT UPPORED FAILSV MMM AMERICA WILL HAVE NO M  
QUALMS IN SWITCHING ITS ALLIAN SUIT HERSNEEDS OF THE MOMENT.  
THE US IS NOT AS MAGNANIMOUS AS SHE PRETENDS TO BE. THE UNING  
IFSUE IV AVP HER ACTIGIHES IS NOT WHUT IS XEST FOC THE NATION IT  
IS SUPPOSEDLY DEFENDING, BUT WHAT IS BEST FOR THE UNITED STATES.  
AFRICAN COUNTRIES WOULD DO WELL TO ACCEPT THIS UNPALATAWLE FACT  
AS THA REALITY OF AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY."

2. ONLY ONE PAPER, NIGERIA TRIBUNE, CARRIED A STOLY ON  
PRES. FORD'S FOGN POLICY SPEECH. NBC-RADIO CARRIED STORY  
N PORTION OF USIS RELEASE STRESSING ADMINISTRATION DESIRE TO  
AMEND TRADE ACT CLAUSE THAT MIGHT "BLACKLIST" NIGERIA.  
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